

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: YUICHIRO DEGUCHI, ET AL.

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SERIAL NO: NEW DIV. APPLN.

EXAMINER:

FILED: HEREWITH

FOR: SEARCHING SYSTEM, SEARCHING UNIT, SEARCHING METHOD, DISPLAYING METHOD FOR  
SEARCH RESULTS, TERMINAL UNIT, INPUTTING UNIT, AND RECORD MEDIUM

**REQUEST FOR PRIORITY**

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SIR:

- ☒ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/695,636, filed 10/24/00, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §120**.
- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number , filed , is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119(e)**.
- ☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119**, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
Japan	11-304389	10/26/99
Japan	11-306817	10/28/99

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- ☐ are submitted herewith
- ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- ☒ were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/695,636 filed 10/24/00.
- ☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number .  
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and  
(B) Application Serial No.(s)
  - ☐ are submitted herewith
  - ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee

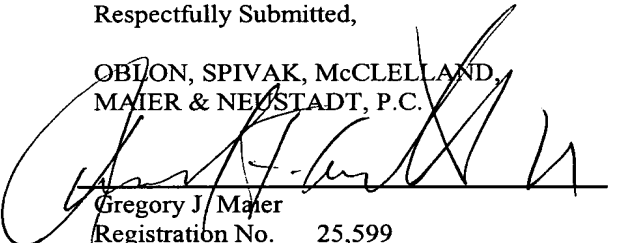


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